

## AMERICAN GUNS PROTECT ALIENS

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Consul Kocbell was denied permission to send a protest to the British Minister at Mexico City, or to the British Ambassador at Washington, and that then he appealed to American Consul Marion H. Fletcher, asking him to intercede for him.

### ADMIRAL FLETCHER'S ZONE OF PROTECTION CAUSES MUCH SATISFACTION HERE

The measures taken by Admiral Fletcher for the protection of Americans and other foreigners at Tampico, where at last reports received here fighting was still going on between Mexican federalists and revolutionists, are regarded by officials as lessening greatly the danger of complications at that point.

No effective action Admiral Fletcher's arrangements considered that it was there is nothing in the situation which calls for any fresh instructions to the American naval commander. It is felt here that in affording to Americans place of refuge on the American warships, and in establishing a place of refuge on shore for non-combatants, the admiral has done much to lessen the possibility of injury to Americans, which might make drastic action upon the part of the American forces a necessity. There is every belief here that his notice to the commanders on both sides that they must not fight in the vicinity of the refuge zone he has established on the beach, nor in the neighborhood of the American warships, will be respected by both rebel and federal leaders. The guns of the Tacoma and Chester are covering this zone, ready to enforce his notice.

Officials here conclude from Admiral Fletcher's dispatches that the best spirit prevails among the several naval commanders at Tampico, and that the German and British officers are co-operating with Admiral Fletcher in a most gratifying manner. Admiral Fletcher has declared his willingness to give refuge to all foreigners, regardless of nationality, but he reports to the Navy Department that the British and the German naval commanders have each chartered ships of the merchant marine upon which to place refugees of their respective nationalities.

Expect Rebel Victory. While officials here are careful not to commit themselves in any way as favoring either side in the fighting at Tampico, there is no doubt that the general expectation is that the revolutionists will eventually take the city. The federal garrison is outnumbered, it is to be seen, according to information received here, and the revolutionists are already reported to have captured the left bank of the river, from the mouth up to the city.

The possession of Tampico by the revolutionists will be a great asset. It will give them an important port on the east coast of Mexico, for the first time since the present revolt began, through which they can bring in all sorts of military and naval supplies. They will then be on equal terms with Huerta in the matter of obtaining arms and ammunition. Possession of Tampico will also be valuable in a financial way, as it will enable the revolutionists to collect the export tax on the oil shipped from that port as well as the customs duties. This tax amounts to a very considerable sum. It is the principal source of revenue for the entire oil district. From Tampico there is also a railroad line to Mexico City, over which the revolutionists will have control if they take the coast city.

### CRITICIZES ROADS SYSTEM.

Logan W. Page Would Replace Petty Politicians with Engineers.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 11.—That the problem of ousting the petty politician from his position as dictator of road building and maintenance is a vital problem, was the assertion of Logan W. Page, director of the Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Agriculture, this afternoon in an address before the National Civil Service Reform League.

There are 2,500,000 miles of roads in America, he said, and upon them an annual expenditure of approximately \$200,000,000 is made. He stated, as a conservative estimate, that 10,000 officials have to deal with the management of these roads, and characterized as inefficient the employment of so many administrative executives.

He suggested as a remedy for the present inefficient state of strict civil service legislation applicable to the entire road system in each State should be enforced, which, he said, would result in an annual saving of at least \$50,000,000.

### Movements of Ocean Steamships.

New York, Dec. 11.—Arrived: Pion, Liverpool; Excelsior, Shields.

Sailed—Esperanza for Hamburg, Tacoma for Naples, St. Anna for Naples, Colon for Colon, Prince Sigismund for Inagua.

The steamer Mauretania, Liverpool for New York, reported when 700 miles east of Sandy Hook at 3 a. m. today. She will dock about 9 a. m. Friday.

The steamer California, Glasgow for New York, reported to Cape Race, when 1,200 miles east of Sandy Hook at midnight. She will dock about 12:30 p. m. Sunday.

The steamer Russia, Libau via Halifax, for New York, reported to Gloucester today. She will dock about 1:30 p. m. Friday.

### T. A. Wickersham's Auto Stolen.

The automobile of T. A. Wickersham, 233 Calvert street northwest, manager of the Colorado building, was stolen yesterday from in front of a department store, where it had been left by Mrs. Wickersham. Police of the Seventh precinct found the car, practically wrecked, last evening in Pierce Mill Road, Rock Creek Park. No arrest has been made.

### Fire at Swiss Legation.

Fire of unknown origin did \$300 damage to the Swiss Legation, 302 Hillary place northwest, last night. Firemen were called by telephone. They found flames spreading from a room at the rear of the second floor of the legation building. Clothing and the walls of the rooms were damaged.

### Kills Daughter and Herself.

Philadelphia, Dec. 11.—Dependent over a long separation from her husband, Mrs. Hilda Acosta killed herself and her nine-year-old daughter Florence, this morning, by gas asphyxiation in a lodging house at 1225 Girard avenue, this city.

### Dog Saves Sausage Factory.

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 11.—"Ki-yi-yi-yi!" loudly barked a fox terrier early today when fire broke out in the sausage factory of Peter Brooks. The dog's alarm was heard by Brooks and the flames were confined to a one-story annex.

### H. & O. Re-elects Officers.

New York, Dec. 11.—The directors of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad met this afternoon and re-elected the retiring officers.

Largest Morning Circulation.

## TODAY'S SELECTIONS.

BY NEW YORK TELEGRAPH.

### Charleston.

First race—Greenham, Golden Chimes, Bastanta.  
Second race—Patty Regan, John Marra, Tolson Dier.  
Third race—Helen M. Ford, Mai, Charlie.  
Fourth race—Outlan, Over the Sands, Charles F. Grainger.  
Fifth race—Harcourt, Fairy Godmother, Guidepost.  
Sixth race—Master Jim, Corcoran, Big Dipper.

### Juarez.

First race—Droll, Dr. Bailer, Ange D.  
Second race—Sigurd, Cordie F., Calisthumpian.  
Third race—Orb, Emerald Gem, Edith W.  
Fourth race—Cousin Fusa, Just Red, Sir Fretful.  
Fifth race—Miss Sly, Janus, Galley Slave.  
Sixth race—Mack B. Eubanks, Colquitt, Butter Hall.

## TAFT SAYS T. R. SEEKS TO DESTROY BENCH

Former President Sees Attack on Independence of Judiciary in Colonel's Attitude.

### SUPPORTS WILSON ON MEXICO

New York, Dec. 11.—Former President William H. Taft, lecturing before the New York Peace Society tonight, accused former President Theodore Roosevelt of seeking to destroy the independence of the judiciary and demoralize the administration of justice in two continents.

Taft also eulogized Senator Elihu Root, as a second Alexander Hamilton and Thomas Jefferson, and pledged his support to President Wilson in his policy of nonintervention in Mexico. Mr. Taft had been arguing for the maintenance of the Monroe doctrine when he suddenly broke forth with:

"I am glad that Mr. Roosevelt in his visit to those countries (Brazil and Argentina) has sought to impress them with the view of the Monroe doctrine that I have expressed (laughter). Indeed, he would have helped them and us too, far more if he had confined his teachings and lectures to explanations and limitations of the Monroe doctrine. He had no right to destroy the independence of the judiciary and demoralize the administration of justice in two continents."

### Supports Wilson Attitude.

As to the attitude he thought the United States should assume in Mexico the former President said:

"Anarchy seems to reign. Intervention by force means the expenditure of enormous sums from our Treasury; loss of most valuable lives, and the dragging out of a tedious war against guerrillas in a trackless country. All those of us who are not in the government can do is to support the President and Secretary of State and present to the European powers and the world a solid front. Such a policy will relieve us from an unlawful burden, for in spite of conditions in Mexico, the situation illustrates the influence of the Monroe doctrine upon the attitude of the European powers, which, in spite of injury to property and persons of their nations, look to the United States as a guide whom they are willing to follow."

## News Nuggets from Telegraph and Cable

Mao, Morocco, Dec. 11.—Fifteen Frenchmen were killed and twenty-two were wounded today, including a captain and lieutenant, when a French column attacking the Moors captured the town of Aingalaska.

Passaic, N. J., Dec. 11.—Two mashers before Judge Costello were each fined \$5 per egg. Another paid an additional \$10 for an "equal speech."

Chicago, Dec. 11.—"I saw him first," shouted each of five hold-up artists who watched Frank McCullum, of Rochelle, Ill., farmer, uncover a \$10 roll in a restaurant early today.

McCullum yelled for the police while the five fought over the distribution of the \$10. Arthur Williams, who argued too long, was captured.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 11.—The run which threatened the City National of Omaha the first three days of this week had apparently entirely disappeared when the bank opened for business this morning.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—The United States government has seized and destroyed the current weekly bulletin of the Chicago health department. The back page of the bulletin bore a reproduction of a photograph of the reverse side of a silver dollar. Reproducing a likeness of any coin subjects offenders to a fine of \$100.

New York, Dec. 11.—"The poisoned needle" gasped Alice Best as she staggered out of a big department store. But she wouldn't show her arm. "Poisoned imagination," said the police.

Cerebere, France, Dec. 11.—The engineering workers and firemen of the Spanish steamer Alfonso XII of the trans-Atlantic line mutinied and attacked the officers on the voyage from Corona to Cadix, according to a dispatch received here. The men were overpowered after a desperate fight.

### SOLD WIFE FOR \$50, SHE SAYS.

Woman Victim Testifies Against Alleged White Slave.

New York, Dec. 11.—How wives are sold for \$50 by white slave of New York and near-by towns, was revealed today in Federal Court before Judge Grubb, where Joseph Romeo is on trial charged with kidnapping Mrs. Jennie Mazza, of Redbank, N. J., into a life of bondage.

Mrs. Mazza swore that Romeo used his own wife to break her into white slavery and later sold the wife to an Italian for \$50.

### Aerobus Flight Halted.

London, Dec. 11.—Claude Graham-White's attempted flight from the Hendon Aerodrome in Paris in an aerobus today was postponed when the planes of the machine were wrecked on a barbed wire fence at Folkestone. The flight from Hendon to Folkestone was made in a heavy mist and White descended to get his bearings. When he attempted to rise from the field the machine swept across a fence and was wrecked.

### Stock Visits Burning House.

Eric, Pa., Dec. 11.—Guy T. Justice, of this city, was the recipient of heartiest congratulations today, following a blaze which damaged his home.

While firemen battled at the rear of the house the work slipped in at the front with a nine-pound boy.

A recently patented spring-operated fan, which resembles one of the electric type, runs at a steady speed for more than three hours from a single grinding.

## GALLERY DEBATES RULES OF HOUSE

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man is true," replied Hobson. "Every straight liquor man and every straight liquor paper in Alabama is lined up like a stone wall behind him, and the moral element of our State can not be deceived by any such explanation."

Mr. Hobson concluded with a diatribe against the liquor traffic. He was followed by Representative Bartholdt, of Missouri, who declared prohibition.

On Wednesday Mr. Hobson and Representative Donovan, of Connecticut, nearly came to blows. They had more trouble yesterday at the conclusion of Mr. Hobson's speech. Mr. Hobson requested that he be given permission to revise and extend his remarks.

"I object to granting any such privilege to a member of the House who is never present," said Mr. Donovan. "Mr. Hobson draws his salary as a member of the House, but he is never here. Mr. Speaker, you know the gentleman is never here."

Speaker Clark, who had returned to the chair, ruled Mr. Donovan out of order. "The Speaker knows some things that he doesn't talk about," said Mr. Clark.

Mr. Donovan dropped into his seat, but immediately demanded recognition, saying: "Doesn't the Speaker know that Mr. Hobson is never present?" he asked. The Speaker rapped for order, glanced warningly at Mr. Donovan, and then turned to the sergeant at arms. Mr. Donovan then subsided.

### RESOLUTION'S ADOPTION IS URGED AT HEARING

An unexpected hearing was accorded to temperance workers yesterday, when Representative Hobson appeared at the room of the House Judiciary Committee, accompanied by a score or more delegates of the W. C. T. U. and the Anti-Saloon League.

Mr. Hobson asked the committee to pass the White Ribbon resolution, which he introduced, to talk about his resolution for national prohibition, but so eloquent did the speakers become that the hearing continued almost an hour.

Among those who urged the committee to report out the Hobson resolution were Representative Hobson, P. F. Baker, president of the Anti-Saloon League; Dr. Rufus W. Miller, of the Temperance Federation; the Conference of Churches; Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, president of the W. C. T. U.; and Mrs. Mary Harris Arnold, the "Georgia Cyclone."

All of the speakers insisted that the time had arrived for national recognition of the prohibition issue in order that liquor might be eradicated at one blow.

The visit of the temperance advocates broke into the committee's program to resume consideration of trust bills, and the trust question was over for the day.

The annual meeting of the Anti-Saloon League of the District will be held this afternoon at Wesley M. E. Church. Election of officers will take place and an annual report will be made. At 7:30 o'clock tonight a mass meeting will be held at the church.

### SAYRES GUESTS AT DINNER.

Distinguished Guests Meet White House Bridal Couple.

London, Dec. 11.—Mr. and Mrs. Francis Bowes Sayre went on a shopping tour today. Sayre was dressed in a smartly cut Prince Albert with a shiny "topper" of the latest London shape.

The first stop was at the studio of a well-known photographer in Baker street. Here they spent an hour in posing for their official photographs for the newspapers.

The dinner given tonight by Ambassador Page in honor of the couple was a brilliant affair. The guests included Edward Grey, French Ambassador; Camille, the Earl and Countess of Halsbury, the Countess of Stafford, Lady Paget, President of the Board of Trade and Mrs. Sydney Buxton, Bishop and Mrs. Boyd Carpenter, Mrs. P. A. Jay, Mrs. Frederick Bronson, Mrs. Maurice Macmillan, Daniel Macmillan, and Chalmers Roberts.

Tomorrow the Sayres will be guests at dinner with Lord Haldane.

### MORE RAILROAD MEN LAID OFF.

Pennsylvania Continues Policy of Retrenchment—Machinists Are Hit.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 11.—The Pennsylvania Railroad continues in its determination to cause a general retrenchment in expenses and still is indefinitely suspending its working force.

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### Mrs. Rebecca Fyles Dead.

Rockville, Md., Dec. 11.—Mrs. Rebecca Fyles, widow of Isaac Fyles, died yesterday at the home of a friend at Clarksville, this county. She was stricken in the yard near the house and died instantly. Heart failure is given as the cause of death. Mrs. Fyles was about fifty-five years old.

### Official Shot in the Riot.

Dublin, Dec. 11.—John Holloway, vice chairman of the dock board, was critically injured today when he was shot during a riot between blackleg coal men and strikers.

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## IT'S 'WOODROW WILSON' NO MORE

Woman, Adopting Boy, Has His Name Changed.

New York, Dec. 11.—"Woodrow Wilson Gray" sounds like a name that any boy should be proud to bear but it isn't good enough for Anna L. Galbraith, trained nurse, of 127 East Sixty-third street. She had the name changed today when he adopted young Woodrow and hereafter he will be called Guilford Lex Galbraith. Saying was directed to Justice. Colahan gave Miss Galbraith permission to adopt the boy. He was born in her sanitarium on November 11, 1912, and was left there by his mother.

### LOCAL PAIR WED IN ROCKVILLE.

Frank Tutin and Miss Estelle Massimo Married in Green Green.

Rockville, Ind., Dec. 11.—Frank Tutin, twenty-two years old, and Miss Estelle Massimo, eighteen, both of Washington, were married in Rockville today by Rev. John T. Colahan, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

The ceremony took place in the presence of a Washington friend of the couple.

## LOW WARNS AGAINST FEDERAL RAILROADS

President of National Civic Federation Addresses Fourteenth Annual Meeting of that Body.

New York, Dec. 11.—Sharp warning against Federal control of railroads was sounded today in the address before the fourteenth annual meeting of the National Civic Federation by Seth Low, president of that organization. This warning was directed to the government, to the employees of the railroads, to the national investors and the American traveling public.

Mr. Low says that investigation has shown him that in Europe the earnings of government-owned railways barely equal the amounts paid out by American railroads in taxes. The freight rates abroad are higher, but the passenger rates are generally lower, this latter fact arising from the large number of people who travel third-class, he asserted.

"The argument against the nationalization of the railroads is so strong that it is worth while to try to think why one should give it serious consideration," said Mr. Low.

"Railroads that are publicly owned have available for wages only such sums as are appropriated by law. In a country of the vast extent of the United States it will always be difficult to secure any change in wages, as established by law, when they have once been fixed. Working conditions also will then be much more difficult to change than when the roads are under private management."

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### HELD WIFE AS A 'WHITE SLAVE.'

Prisoner Heeds Woman Accuse Him at Trial in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Dec. 11.—A remarkable tale of "white slavery" was told upon the witness stand in the United States District Court here today by Mrs. Anna Gwynne, of Lumbria, Pa., in the trial of her husband, Evan J. Gwynne, charged in three indictments with transporting her from State to State for immoral purposes.

The young woman told how she had supported Gwynne for several years and how he forced her to turn her money over to him by physical violence.

### Man Dies in Hotel Fire.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 11.—One unidentified man perished and many narrowly escaped death early this morning when the Williams Hotel at Fourth and Mulberry streets was destroyed by fire.

There were sixty-seven guests in the hotel and many were compelled to flee in their night clothes. The loss is estimated at \$150,000.

### CHICAGO AIDS UNEMPLOYED MEN

Gives Them Work and Pays Off with Meal Tickets.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Solution of the unemployed men problem in Chicago was attempted by the city officials today in offering work to idle men.

The pay for each day's work will be a certificate good for three days' food and lodging at municipal shelter houses.

### FAVORS FRENCH INCOME TAX.

New Premier Addresses Chamber of Deputies.

Paris, Dec. 11.—Speaking as both premier and foreign minister, M. Doumergue today in addressing the Chamber of Deputies declared in favor of an income tax upon all French citizens and also in favor of continuance of the treaty with Russia.

### 250 PERISH IN STORM.

Natives in Canoes Blown to Sea from African Coast.

Freetown, Sierra Leone, West Africa, Dec. 11.—More than 250 natives are believed to have perished today when a tornado blew twenty passenger-carrying canoes out to sea.

Many upturned canoes were found later.



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